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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Debasish Bhattacharya et al.
Serial No.: 09/896,059
For: **Method for Automated Design of Integrated Circuits with Targeted Quality Objectives Using Dynamically Generated Building Blocks**
Filed: June 29, 2001
Examiner: Annette M. Thompson
Art Unit: 2825
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Customer No.: 27,623

Attorney Docket No.: 162.7107USU

**Mail Stop Amendment
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

We are enclosing an Amendment with replacement sheet in response to the communication dated July 20, 2006, in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$____ to extend the time for filing this response until _____.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	72	Minus	72	0	x \$50.00	\$
Independent Claims	8	Minus	8	0	x \$200.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					x \$360.00 = \$	
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES					\$0.00	
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY					\$N/A	



The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 0.00.

A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

October 20, 2006

Date


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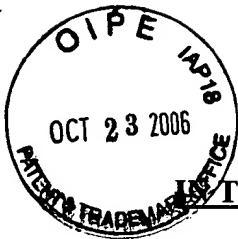
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Sir:

In reply to the non-final Office Action dated July 20, 2006, please enter the following amendments in the consideration of the above patent application.

Amendment to the claims begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 16.